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RESPONSE

In response to the official action mailed 11/06/02, paper no. 11 in the above referenced case, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 15, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 27 as follows:

15. (Amended) An etching method using a dry etching apparatus provided with at least first, second and third electrodes, said first electrode being opposed to [each othe said second and third electrodes, the method comprising the steps of:

disposing a substrate on said second and third electrodes in a chamber;

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